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On August 4, 1966, Penn Jones, Jr., Editor "Midlothian Mirror", Midlothian, Texas, appeared on KRLD Radio, Dallas, Texas, on the program called "Comment" at which time he discussed Volume 1 of his book "Forgive My Grief", which he called "a critical review of the Warren Commission on the assassination of President John F. Kennedy."

On August 5, 1966, Mr. James Hughes, Westchester House, 554 South Summit, Apartment 325, Fort Worth, Texas, telephone EDison 2-4275, who identified himself as an author and former newspaper writer, advised a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that he had heard the program "Comment" on KRLD Radio, Dallas, Texas, on August 4, 1966. He stated that during this program certain comments were made by the guest speaker (Penn Jones, Jr.) and by an individual who had talked by telephone to the guest speaker during the program, which were slanderous to President Johnson and to a specific Special Agent of the FBI, and the Department of Justice.

Hughes refused to mention any names of individuals involved but stated he thought the FBI would be interested in the comments made on this program.

On August 8, 1966, the tapes of the program "Comment" on KRLD Radio, Dallas, Texas, of August 4, 1966, were reviewed by a Special Agent of the FBI.

Penn Jones, Jr., identified himself as editor of the "Midlothian Mirror", Midlothian, Texas, and was interviewed by commentators Jim Underwood and Wes Wise of KRLD Radio. Jones indicated he had completed Volume 1 of his book "Forgive My Grief", and that he was contemplating writing additional volumes. During this program, listeners were permitted to telephonically contact KRLD Radio to ask questions of Mr. Jones. During the program, a caller, unidentified, mentioned Special Agent James P. Hosty of the FBI and discussed the controversial remarks

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attributed to Special Agent Hosty and Lieutenant Jack Revill of the Dallas Police Department.

Another caller questioned Jones as to whether he had checked into the allegation that the now President Lyndon B. Johnson had in his pocket, immediately after the assassination, the oath of office which he made available to U. S. District Court Judge Sarah Hughes for purposes of her swearing him in as President. Jones commented that he would endeavor to look into this particular point during his future endeavors with respect to additional volumes which he planned to write.

Jones mentioned that there were several other books which had been written concerning the assassination of President John Fitzgerald Kennedy, and specifically mentioned the book "Unanswered Questions" by Sylvan Fox, and the book "Whitewash" by Harold Weisberg. He spoke most favorably of the book "Whitewash". He stated that a book by Mark Lane had been written and was soon to be released.

Penn Jones also mentioned that a Sylvia Marr has compiled an index on the testimony and exhibits contained in the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy Report and Hearings before that commission which index has been printed by the Scarecrow Press of New York City, and remarked that this is an excellent index for reference purposes.

At the completion of the program, Mr. Jones was requested to again appear on this program in the event he ascertained information which he felt was of importance concerning the assassination of President Kennedy.